

ADA Compliance: Transportation -- No. 509325

Category
Agency
Planning Area
Relocation Impact

Transportation
Public Works & Transportation
Countywide
None

Date Last Modified
Required Adequate Public Facility

January 5, 2006
NO

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY05	Est. FY06	Total 6 Years	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	744	0	0	744	124	124	124	124	124	124	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	230	0	62	168	28	28	28	28	28	28	0
Construction	16,993	0	2,173	8,820	1,470	1,470	1,470	1,470	1,470	1,470	6,000
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	17,967	0	2,235	9,732	1,622	1,622	1,622	1,622	1,622	1,622	6,000

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

G.O. Bonds	17,967	0	2,235	9,732	1,622	1,622	1,622	1,622	1,622	1,622	6,000
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ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

DESCRIPTION

This project provides both curb ramps for sidewalks and new transportation accessibility construction in compliance with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1991 (ADA). This improvement program provides for planning, design, and reconstruction of existing infrastructure Countywide to enable obstruction-free access to public facilities, public transportation, Central Business Districts (CBDs), health facilities, shopping centers and recreation. Curb ramp installation at intersections along residential roads will be constructed based on population density. Funds are provided for the removal of barriers to wheelchair users such as signs, poles, and fences and for intersection improvements, such as the reconstruction of median breaks and new curb ramps, crosswalks, and sidewalk connectors to bus stops. Curb ramps are needed to enable mobility for physically-impaired citizens; for the on-call transit program, "Accessible Ride On"; and for County-owned and leased facilities. A portion of this project will support the Renew Montgomery program. One aspect of this project will focus on improving pedestrian walkability by creating a safer walking environment, utilizing selected engineering technologies, and ensuring ADA compliance.

JUSTIFICATION

Areas served by Metrorail and other densely populated areas have existing infrastructure which was constructed without adequate consideration of the specialized needs of persons with disabilities or impaired mobility. In compliance with the ADA, this project improves access to public facilities and services throughout the County.

Plans and Studies

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

Cost Change

The County is required to install detectable warning devices at all handicap ramps that are identified for new construction and on handicap ramps that are identified for remodeling or upgrading. Cost increase is due to this new ADA requirement and the addition of FY11 and FY12 to this ongoing project.

STATUS

Ongoing

OTHER

Earlier estimates for the completion of this project were \$24.9 million. It was anticipated that full compliance with current ADA requirements will be attained earlier than anticipated and at a lower cost. However, due to the new ADA requirement of installing detectable warning devices on handicap ramps, additional funding has been shown in the beyond 6 years column. ADA requirements are addressed in many transportation and renovation projects.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY93	(\$000)
Initial Cost Estimate		240
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY07	17,967
Last FY's Cost Estimate		15,221
Present Cost Estimate		17,967
Appropriation Request	FY07	1,622
Appropriation Request Est.	FY08	1,622
Supplemental		
Appropriation Request	FY06	0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		2,235
Expenditures/		
Encumbrances		1,863
Unencumbered Balance		372
Partial Closeout Thru	FY04	10,187
New Partial Closeout	FY05	1,498
Total Partial Closeout		11,685

COORDINATION

Maryland Department of Transportation
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
Department of Housing and Community Affairs
Health and Human Services
Commission on People with Disabilities
Montgomery County Pedestrian Safety Advisory
Committee
Commission on Aging
Maryland State Highway Administration
MARC Rail
Sidewalk and Infrastructure Revitalization Project
Annual Sidewalk Program

MAP

